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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In connection with the above-identified application filed herewith, please enter the following preliminary amendment:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 3 and 5 as follows:

3. (AMENDED) A heat exchanger according to claim 1, wherein the tube bores are designed to be continuous and are sealed with plugs.

5. (AMENDED) A heat exchanger according to claim 1, apparently intended or suitable for a heat exchanger according to claim 1, comprising a flat body part with a number of tube bores extending substantially transversely to the plane of the body part between a back face and a top face and one or more connecting channels located in the plane of the tube plate and crossing the tube holes.

REMARKS

The above preliminary amendment is made to remove multiple dependencies from claims 3 and 5.

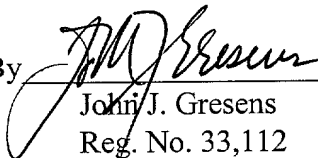
Applicants respectfully request that the preliminary amendment described herein be entered into the record prior to calculation of the filing fee and prior to examination and consideration of the above-identified application.

If a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any issues concerning this communication, please contact Applicants' primary attorney-of record, John J. Gresens (Reg. No. 33,112), at (612) 371.5265.

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3. A heat exchanger according to claim 1 [or 2], wherein the tube bores are designed to be continuous and are sealed with plugs.
5. A heat exchanger according to [any one of the preceding claims] claim 1, apparently intended or suitable for a heat exchanger according to [any one of the preceding claims] claim 1, comprising a flat body part with a number of tube bores extending substantially transversely to the plane of the body part between a back face and a top face and one or more connecting channels located in the plane of the tube plate and crossing the tube holes.